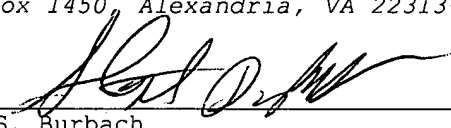


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Commissioner:

In response to the final Office action of September 24, 2004 and in conjunction with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.